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Leppert Study Discloses Adverse Reaction To Drugs

By Mark S. Gurslnick

A toxicology report released February 7 links the December 9 death of 16-year old MN junior Edward Leppert to a widely used horse tranquilizer, often sold under the name of Angel Dust.

The report, issued by Chester County Coroner Dr. Donald E. Harrop of Phoenixville, says Leppert, son of Edward and Jeanne Leppert, 15 N. Line Road, Larchmont, died of an adverse reaction to phencyclidine or PCP for short.

The drug, referred to by the trade name Serhyl, is used legitimately by veterinarians as a large animal tranquilizer and is not fit for human consumption.

Leppert's autopsy, which was performed by Dr. Joseph DiColli of Paoli Memorial Hospital, failed to determine the cause of death. Harrop subsequently ordered the poisons search.

Dr. L.R. Reider of National Medical Toxicology Services, Willow Grove, Montgomery County, performed the toxicology study, which was aimed at identifying stricnine, alcohol, or other drugs in Leppert's body.

None of the PCP was found in Leppert's stomach; it was identified in the liver and other organs, according to Harrop.

"This indicates that the root of ingestion is probably not oral but more likely sniffed," Harrop added. "This leads me to believe that the substance was taken voluntarily rather than being placed in his food as a trick."

Leppert died of an adverse reaction to the drug rather than an overdose. Dr. Reider found eight milligrams of PCP in his body.

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RODGERS, HART MUSICAL PROMISES "URBANE WIT", "ZANY HUMOUR"

Musical comedy will appear on the MN stage again with the all-school presentation of Boys From Syracuse April 10, 11, 12.

Director Henry Fetterman chose the play because it has "a marvelous sense of comedy" which ranges from "urbane wit" to "zany humour." It has "lovely lyrics" and is "one of the best plays in American musical theater" accordingly.

Written in 1938 by Rodgers and Hart, the play was revived on Broadway in the

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Vandals Ruin Marathon; Dancers Try Again

Twelve students danced for over twenty continuous hours February 7 and 8 until sophomore class advisor Thomas McHugh stopped the Sophomore Class Marathon Dance in accordance with a directive from Principal William C. Capriotti.

Capriotti had asked that the marathon be terminated at the first outbreak or disturbance.

Vandals entered the building, broke into a concession stand, and covered the floors, walls, and ceiling with mustard. Health text books, stored in that area were destroyed.

Vandals then tore down ceiling tiles, metal frames, and sections of insulation.

"When I discovered the damage to the concession

stand I thought we might be able to clear it up and keep the dance going," McHugh said.

"But when we discovered the damage to the ceiling tiles I knew we had to stop."

The dance accrued \$350 for the sophomore class.

Couples who danced will have an opportunity to test their endurance again on March 14 when a shortened version of the Marathon Dance will be held to determine the winners.

First prize has been raised to \$60. Second and third prizes have been added.

The dance will start at 7:30 p.m. March 14 and continue no later than 1:00 a.m. Sunday.

TRIAL BY JURY ENTERTAINS DISTRICT CHOIR MEMBERS

Marple Newtown is host to 185 students from thirty school districts today, for the Annual Lower Southeastern District Choir Festival. Eighteen MN students are participating in the festival. A tenth period assembly today will feature the District Choir under the direction of conductor Gail Poch.

Thursday evening the MN Choir presented Trial By Jury, a Gilbert and Sullivan comedy-opera, to District Choir members under the direction of Richard Gwirtz and producer Henry Fetterman.

Trial is accompanied by the MN orchestra under student director Mitch Gershenfeld. Among the cast of thirty-two are: Wendy Gold, Henry Lowman, Matt O'Brien, and James Rodman. Annette Winter is student director.

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The MN Choir presented Trial By Jury Thursday evening to the Lower Southeastern District Choir.

editorial comments:

CELEBRATE LIFE

Despite rumors to the contrary, no interim project of any kind or length is now being planned or organized.

The death of Celebrate Life Week caused planners of that project to lose all momentum. Though there has been much wailing and breast beating since that time, no one else has bothered to pick up the ball and take any positive action.

Most discouraging to the original Celebrate Life planners is the fact that many of the teachers who were responsible for the defeat of that project are now the sources of questions and rumors about new projects of that type. Unfortunately, these rumors have absolutely no base in fact.

MARATHON DANCE

The saddest thing about the Sophomore Class Dance Marathon was that it proved that even a good idea--well planned, original and financially successful--can still end in disaster if vandalism is given half a chance.

Rampant destruction is simply getting out of hand. Police and school authorities must clamp down on that minority that makes school life uncomfortable for the rest of us.

And if you see someone smashing a window, why not tell Mr. Shafer or Mr. Best? Who knows, maybe if enough of us get together and let the vandals know we do not enjoy their antics we might be able to restore civilization to Marple Newtown.

STUDENT COUNCIL CHARITY DRIVE

Student Council might hold a charity drive. They always have in the past. They raised money and donated it to worthy organizations.

Our Executive Council has come up with an original idea which involves charity but not dollars. The executive council wants to organize groups of students to travel to local hospitals and other institutions and to entertain--even instruct the unfortunate people of this community. The idea is to get close to people instead of sending a check in the mail.

The administration says it thinks this new idea is not a bad one, but it wants some sort of fund-raising effort. Money is important. Yet it is the most impersonal form of charity. In the past we have chased the buck with everything from car wrecks to rock concerts. Maybe it is time for something new.

UPSET CHAMPS WANT MORE PUBLICITY

Dear Editor:

The MN Girls' Swim Team finished their season with a record of 9-0. They won the Central League Championship! Ten out of eleven school records were broken. Why did they not get the proper publicity from your newspaper?

Other sports, primarily boys, received much more attention than the swimming team. These girls were the only team to be Central League Champs and undefeated. The boys' swim team received a meet-by-meet write up; the wrestling and basketball teams have re-

ceived articles in every edition of the Mar News.

When a team works hard and achieves what these girls have, they deserve some recognition from their school paper. It would be appreciated if a member of your staff would obtain all the facts about the Girls' Swim Team's outstanding accomplishment. We will be looking forward to seeing a second article about the Girls' Swim Team becoming Central League Champs in your next issue of Mar News.

Sincerely,
Upset Students

OPINION:

Charity Drive Delayed; Lack of Communication

Remember each year during fall, a day or a week used to be devoted to the Charity Drive?

No Charity Drive has been held yet this year. Student Council, which is responsible for the drive, does not like the methods to raise money used in previous years. The concert held last year was not successful and concerts are not permitted in school now. The money-raising methods utilized last year were not as profitable as hoped.

Student Council decided it did not want to raise money only for the sake of raising money. Other suggestions were called for. One suggested that students donate their time to work at a childrens hospital. This suggestion was promptly vetoed by the administration which stated that the purpose of the Charity Drive is to raise money.

The Executive Council asked Student Council for other ideas. Very few new ideas were submitted. A definite communication gap exists between the Executive Council, Student Council and the students. The gap stems from a lack of concern on the part of many people.

Mr. Capriotti has giv-

en Student Council until the spring to develop a charity drive. Student Council is now waiting for students to come up with a few ideas.

Some sort of a charity drive must be planned. If no viable new ideas are presented, the old methods, including selling cookies and pennies, should be employed. With a student body of over 2,000 students, there is no excuse for not coming up with some money.

Students May Leave School

Pupils having study halls at the end of the day may go home once they have obtained a note of permission from their parent or guardian. Students having a study hall and then a subject may not leave school. Students not wishing to leave school attend regular study hall.

Once pupils are excused they must leave the school area. The school assumes no responsibility once the student is off school property.

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WCAU-FM To Host 50 - 60's Dance

Valley Forge for graduation? This possibility could culminate proposed activities for the Class of '76. Long John Wade, of WCAU-FM, will host a 50-60's dance, March 7, at 7:30 p.m.

Prom tickets will go on sale in mid-April.

LEPPERT STUDY

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It isn't quantity that counts: it's what the drug can do, and one of the things the drug can do is cause cardiac irregularity," Harrop said.

The study showed traces of no other drugs or alcohol. It was not possible to determine when Leppert ingested the PCP.

If Leppert did consume the PCP voluntarily, then he was like most drug users. And if he was like most drug users, he probably thought he was receiving a much pleasanter drug---THC, the active hallucinogen ingredient in the mild marijuana.

Hospital emergency station workers have admitted previously MN students thinking they were "on THC" while feeling the induced dazed tripping sensation of the horse drug.

"People come in feeling as if they're going to explode," a spokesman for the Paoli Memorial Hospital Drug Addiction Treatment Center explained.

Leppert reportedly felt these ill effects the morning of his death. Despite the victim's pains he participated in his aquatics class, under the instruction of Fred McKonly.

When the pains worsened, Leppert got out of the pool and collapsed next to a starting block. First aid efforts by McKonly, girl's instructor Joan Johnson, and school nurse Joan McCook failed.

McKonly called the Newtown Square Fire Company ambulance. Leppert died at 11:32 a.m. in the Paoli Hospital emergency room. Leppert was the first PCP death in Chester County, which had jurisdiction over the report since he died in the Paoli Hospital.

FACULTY EVALUATES DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM

Effectiveness of cafeteria duty as a discipline deterrent was questioned recently at a Faculty Advisory Committee meeting.

Many teachers feel cafeteria duty does not make the necessary impression upon a student required to halt school rule infractions. Even the result of detention halls depends upon the atmosphere, which varies with each teacher supervising. Vandalism, trash in the halls, and students wandering about the school were cited as the seemingly unproductive outcome of these disciplinary measures.

Principal William Capriotti comments that although students are given a choice between cafeteria duty or detention, the teacher requesting discipline may also request that a student not receive cafeteria duty. Capriotti points out, however, that when teachers relinquish a student to Mr. Williams or Mr. Best for punishment measures, they feel that the manner in which they deal with the student is then their decision. The

teacher is in one sense, giving them to handle the problem.

Suggestions to improve the discipline system in guidelines to be followed by each teacher in detention halls to create the same disciplinary atmosphere. Also proposed was an idea allowing a certain number of cafeteria duties before detention becomes mandatory.

Boys From Syracuse

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mid-sixties. The plot resembles that of Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors, which revolves around mistaken identities.

Some well-known songs from this musical are "Falling in Love With Love," "This Can't Be Love," and the title song, "Go Back to Syracuse."

Major cast members include: Steve Matt as Antipholus of Ephesus; Chuck Podarus as Antipholus of Syracuse; Robin Beck as Andriana; Gail Rudolph as Luciana.

Carl Holden is designing the stage. Merryl Rosenblatt is costume designer.

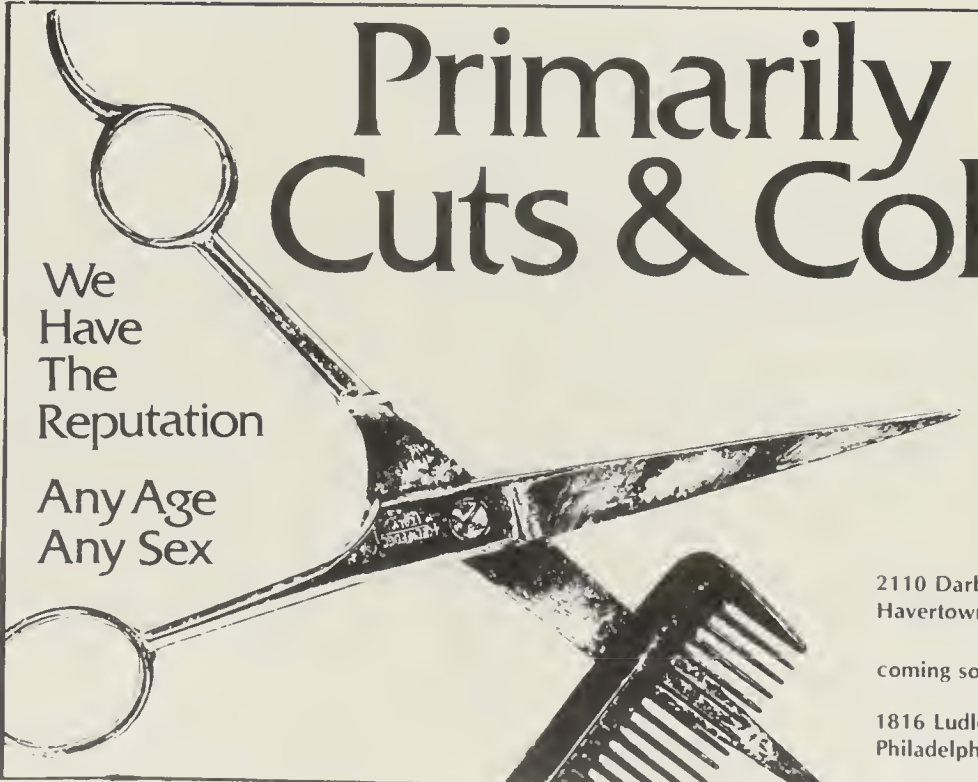
Educational Testing Service Investigates Girls In Science, Math Courses

High female enrollment in advanced placement math and science courses has qualified MN to participate with eleven other schools in a national study of female participation in advanced math and science courses.

The purpose of this study was "to investigate factors that contribute to attracting and holding girls in math, calculus, and physical sciences in high school" according to Ms. Patricia L. Casserly of the Educational Testing Service.

"Sometimes when sexual identity hits, girls lower their career aspirations," observed Ms. Casserly.

However, most girls interviewed at MN take math and/or science courses in addition to AP English, history, or languages.



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VANDALS PLAGUE COSTS DECLINE



Shattered doors remain unrepaired.

Looking around the school, one can see an increase in the amount of visible damage done by vandals. Kicked in doors, charred walls, and lockers ripped off their hinges are becoming more and more prevalent.

This dramatic increase in the amount of visible vandalism shows no relationship to the downward trend in the amount of money spent on making repairs. This observation would lead one to suspect that not as many repairs are being made.

Shattered glass doors by the cafeteria, remain unrepaired. Clocks throughout the school are either missing or have been ripped loose. The reason for the laxness in repairing these items is that as soon as they are repaired, they are destroyed again.

Students Offer Solutions

Since Vandals burned and sacked cities in 400 A.D. a solution to stop senseless destruction of property has been sought. Many students suggestions range from expulsion to reward.

Some suggestions given by students to curb vandalism are:

-Rewards, of both money and exemptions from exams for those who turn in vandals. Students feel that it is not worth the trouble to report a person at the present time.

-Lockers should be fixed. Much destruction occurs because lockers can't close, leaving enterprising students an opportunity to bend lockers out of shape.

-A change in the cut slip system. "The cut slip system is a racket," a student complains. "It is what you know that affects whether you will be turned in. If this system is strictly enforced," the student continues, "the prospective vandals will be in class."

Mr. Capriotti, however, states that the system is working well.

-Closing down the smoking areas for a week. "In conjunction with a crackdown on inside smoking, the student goes on to say, "the closing of the smoking areas would show smokers that the areas are really a privilege."

(Smoking areas will be monitored by teachers, Mr. Capriotti states. At meetings with students, administrators state that smoking areas may be closed, as one was last year. Smokers insist on an inside area occurs that vandalism will be more costly in doors.)

Repair Expenditures Drop, Board Member States

The cost of vandalism has decreased over the past years. From a peak of \$60 thousand in 1969, it has decreased to \$10 thousand in 1974, school board member Robert Gauntlett states.

A force of three full and three part time police was organized in 1969. School personnel, who also been deputized and have the power to arrest anyone.

In 1974, damage done during school hours amounted to \$2,800 and \$7,000 after school hours. The school received \$2,500 in restitution while part of the remainder was paid for by insurance.

The parking lot may be monitored, but not by a guard. A supervisor, similar to the one in the cafeteria, would protect against vandalism, Gauntlett states.



Posters fell prey to the recent rash of vandalism involving tire.

E MN; DAMAGE SOARS



Garbage, litter and cigarette smoke render girls lavatories unusable.

-A change in attitude of both teachers and students. A student feels teachers put down some students. Also, a change in attitude toward vandalism by the student body is needed.

-Guards to patrol the parking lots and an overall stepped up security. The ease with which people can walk into and out of the school is borne out by several examples. "One Saturday," a student relates, "I walked out with a typewriter and the school police, unquestioningly, held the door open."

(Patrolling of halls by teachers will also be used in the future to curb vandalism and smoking in rest rooms.)

-Change the suspension policy. Suspension should involve work in the school. Suspended students should repair damage done and help in cleaning the smoking areas. This would reduce the cost of labor presently used in such tasks. The vacation these students enjoy, while suspended, should be terminated.

-Make MN a more enjoyable place to attend school. One student cites possible "unhappiness" of students in the school as being related to vandalism.

-Real action by students and the staff. In spite of a lot of talk on halting vandals, destruction continues. People have to get involved to stop them.



in a recent act of vandalism.

Vandalism Halts Dance

Vandalism halted the sophomore class Marathon Dance on February 7 and 8. After 21 hours, the concession stand was ransacked. Mustard and coffee were spread over stored textbooks. Also destroyed was a considerable amount of the ceiling around the Gym corridor. The destruction, was described as being "the worst in a long time."

The dance was called off under the directive of principal William Capriotti because additional vandalism was feared. There were no police present because the cost of police protect-

ion, \$1.00 per patrolman per hour, for the duration of the dance was prohibitive. Ample security was provided by means of a private detective and other measures, Mr. Capriotti states. The destruction resulted from deliberate actions of students and was not due to the lack of security by members of the sophomore class.

Clubs are faced with either having high security costs and making no money or making money and having vandalism. These alternatives will have to be balanced and may result in fewer activities.



Vandals broke these ceiling tiles on February 8 and caused the Marathon Dance to end early.

COMMITTEE VIEWS "STUDENT" BOARD

Electing a student to the school board was one topic discussed by Principal William C. Capriotti at the Student Advisory Board meeting on January 21.

However, since a person is elected to the board by the community, election by students would be illegal. It was pointed out that influencing board members to vote in favor of students would have more effect on decisions than one vote of a student member.

A SAB member was appointed to explore the possibility of allowing interested students to attend lectures during their study halls.

Complaints were registered concerning the length of the Vo-Tech school day, smoking on school buses, and hall passes.

Finally, the method of scheduling is undergoing changes for next year.

AMERICAN STUDENT RETURNS FROM BRAZIL

"Brazil is not learning from other countries' mistakes," states senior Sue Baruch, who spent her junior year attending school and living with a family in Brazil. "They are building factories without pollution control, tearing up their jungles, and building highways through the Amazon," she adds, concluding that "progress doesn't necessarily have to mean destruction."

Brazil is more primitive than the United States, but is growing rapidly. Since Brazil is controlled by a military dictatorship, Ms. Baruch comments that any sort of federal denigration is dangerous and freedom of press is prohibited. However, state and local governments may be criticized and minor infractions of laws (like traffic tickets) are easily resolved by bribery.

The Baruch family recently took in a 16-year-old Brazilian Senior, Renata Vizzotti, after hearing on the radio that more homes were needed for foreign students. Renata will begin her senior year here

Average Test Scores Above National Norm

Average SAT scores at Marple Newtown have increased markedly this year, according to Ms. Ann Speer, MN high school counselor.

MN's SAT verbal mean for November 1974 was 466; the national SAT average, established in 1971, is 450. In past years MN's mean score "was slightly below national norms," according to Ms. Speer.

MN's math mean of 504 for the November 1974 SAT exceeded the national average of 475.

Ms. Speer also announced MN's mean scores for the November 1974 Achievement tests; English, 537; Math Level I, 565; Math Level II, 716.



Brazilian exchange student Renata Vizzotti hopes to attend medical school.

and will finish it when she returns to Brazil in six months. She hopes to enter medical school in her country when she graduates.

Preferring a somewhat smaller school, Ms. Vizzotti likes MN and is beginning to speak and understand English more easily now. The six hour school day seems long to her since she is accustomed to a four hour stretch of morning academic classes, going home for lunch, and returning for gym in the afternoon.

OFF THE TIGER'S DESK

CAFETERIA CASHIER SERENADES STUDENT

It all began when I stepped into the platter line last month. One of the boys in front of me asked for no potatoes, and a girl asked not to receive green beans. A third student did not take his cole slaw, and a fourth did not take his jello. Well, I stepped into line, and as different students said "No beans." and "No potatoes", I surprised everyone by saying "No meat....just beans and potatoes!"

The woman distributing the food was stunned, and sent me to the other side of the cafeteria where I bought a hamburger, french fries and a milkshake. I handed my dollar to the cashier and was amazed to receive change back from my dollar. Then to add to my astonishment she started singing "you deserve a break today..at Marple Newtown Senior High School's cafeteria."

I then took a look at my burger and was glad to see that it had no pickles and no lettuce. I mockingly asked the cashier if she would sing again to me, since she had held the pickles and the lettuce, and let me have it my way. She nudged the cashier next to her and said "No you'll get to hear us sing." And in the funkiest, livest, most flipped out soul since the Supremes sang in Harlem, they serenaded me.

I walked back to my seat, and on the way saw a girl that looked like she was straight from the fifties feeding her boyfriend french fries. She was mumbling to herself, Preston this...and Preston that, and visions of another T.V. commercial danced in my head. At last she called to me saying that the great food has nothing to do with why she goes out with Marple. Then he started correcting her calling "Preston..... Preston..My name is Preston I was forced to laugh. All this could happen at MN.... only MN.

Leaving the cafeteria that day, I noticed a sign advertising a new dish to be served starting in March. Its name...Marple Newtown's Big Bill (C?)

"Two no-beef slaps, rotten cheese, lettuce, grease, pickles, salt on a crumpled up bun!"

So hurry on down to MN where the burgers are commercialized!!

DISTRICT CHOIR

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Catherine Ceizinski, a second place winner in the National Metropolitan Opera Competition, and Norman Anderson, a Philadelphia orchestra soloist will entertain District Choir members tonight.

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Hi-Q Team Beats O'Hara

Marple Newtown shared top place with Springfield at the Hi-Q meet held at Marple Newtown Senior High, February 4. Cardinal O'Hara placed last of the three teams competing.

O'Hara had previously beaten Chichester and Penncrest. Questions at this meet included world history, sport, Shakespeare and math. Andrew Lee was high scorer with four correct answers. Other team members included Joel Jakobson, Vince Giorno, and Bill Loeliger.

Controversy arose when a response by O'Hara was judged only partially correct. The question was thrown out and another substituted.

Bill Kuster, KYW TV weatherman and Hi-Q emcee stated at the conclusion of the meet that Hi-Q permits intelligent students, to show what they know. He also added that these students usually participated in other school activities as well.

Educational Goals to be Evaluated

Health habits of 11th graders will be tested in March as one aspect of the now mandatory Educational Quality Assessment test developed to measure the quality of the Pennsylvania educational system.

Testing areas were derived from the Pennsylvania State Board of Education's "Ten Goals of Education", which includes questions on basic skills, creative potential and output, and health habits.

Given to MN students before, on a preliminary basis, the test has now become standardized.

According to school superintendent Glenn M. Sanner, the EQA "is the least valid of all standardized tests because it measures mainly attitude.

He adds that the results of the test will aid the Pennsylvania State School Board in discovering which goals have been successfully complemented the Pennsylvania Public School system. All results will be made public in September.

Tigers Fall Despite Giordano's Efforts

Going into a game against Upper Darby, MN's Varsity Basketball team had a record of 1-1 in second half competition.

Despite an outstanding 20 point effort from guard Steve Giordano, the Royals downed the Tigers, 78-62. Steve Smith was a high scorer, adding 12 points. In a game that was never really close, Radnor defeated Marple, 71-55. Steve DeCerio was MN's only double-figure scorer, canning 22 points in another good solo effort.

In their most recent effort, MN lost a close one 53-49, to Ridley. The Tigers, who were down by 11 points at halftime, made a tough come back mainly behind DeCerio, who hit for 14 points. Steve Smith and Rick Heist each tallied 10 points.

Many Courses Offered Next Year

Almost 300 courses, including new electives in English, industrial arts, business and home economics, will be offered next year, announced Principal William C. Capriotti at the annual curriculum night February 6.

Several interdisciplinary subjects will be taught, including a one semester five period per week environmental studies course.

Capriotti spoke about graduation requirements and the amount of credits needed to graduate from Marple Newtown.

FACULTY DRIBBLES FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Faculty members will compete in the Scholarship Basketball game on February 28 at 6:30 p.m. Money earned will fund student scholarships awarded at graduation. The game will be held at the high school gym, tickets are \$1.00.

MATMEN TIE FOR LEAGUE TITLE

Marple Newtown's varsity wrestlers closed their season with a bang, trouncing their final three opponents to finish in a three way tie for first place in the Central League with Ridley and Haverford.

The Tigers most recent opponent to fail in combat was Lower Merion. The Aces oriented to a 9-0 lead after the first two weight classes but managed to win only one of the next ten, succumbing to the Tigers 39-12.

JV Basketball

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happy twosome tweated at the slightest infraction.

Though both teams held steady at the charity line, Ridley continued to connect from the floor. However, the Tigers were stopped dead trailing 39-21 at the midway mark. Ridley continued the pace-winning 56-42.

Pins were recorded by the two Leons, Jorge and Ralph, at the 115 and 135 pound weight classes. Jim Christaldi at 188, and heavy weight Doug Miller.

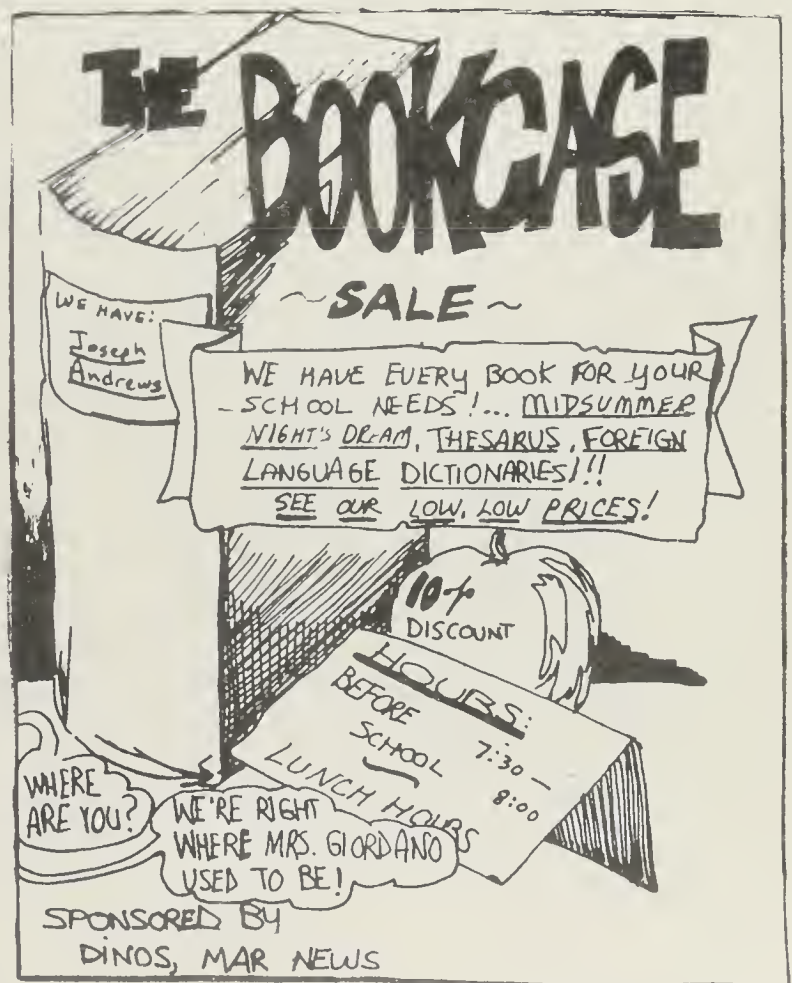
Tri-captain Mike Schafer won 3-1 to finish the season unbeaten (15-0) in duel meet and Christmas tournament competition.

In the previous match Penncrest should not have shown up as they were trounced by MN 55-3.

Pins came from Christaldi, Miller, 148 pound Jim Gardner, and Ken Doyle at 170. Doyle was trailing his adversary 5-0 but exploded suddenly to pin just 23 seconds into the second period.

In earlier action against Springfield the Tigers swept the last five weight classes to overwhelm the Cougars 35-11.

Schafer, Christaldi, and Miller pinned their foes while Jorge Leon, Gardner, Doyle, and Steve Cornman (129) shutout their opponents.



NEWMAN SKATES PAST MN

MN's Ice Hockey team tasted defeat for the first time as they were beaten by the undefeated Bishop Newman, 3-2, at Westtown.

The Tigers took the lead in the first period on an unassisted goal by Paul McIntyre. Newman tied it up with a slapshot that hit goalie Jan Dalina on the short side midway through the second period.

Newman went in front with just four seconds left on the period making the score 2-1, in Newman's favor.

That goal killed the Tigers, but the insurance goal that put the icing on Newman's cake came with seven minutes to play in the game.

The Tigers pressed to get the consummate goal. Chuck Gross finally got that goal, on assists Scott Borbidge and Ray Mateer, to make it 3-2. However, there was not time to tie it up, for Gross's tally came with just two seconds left in the game.

In a non-league game at the Spectrum the Tigers beat Southern, 4-1. Ray Ma-



Tigers tally 10-1 record.

teer, "Meatball" Mortorana, and Paul McIntyre netted Tiger goals. Netminder Jan Dalina was awarded the game's most valuable player.

MN easily won its next two games against Ridley and Swathmore by scores of 9-1 and 10-1, respectively. Carl Gori played well in his first game as MN goalie against Swathmore.

The Tigers then played

Cardinal O'Hara. It was figured to be an easy win for Marple, but easy it wasn't as O'Hara whipped MN 6-4.

The Lions struck for the only goal in the first period as they scored an unassisted goal at 2:31. Paul McIntyre tied it up for MN as he fixed home a quick shot with an assist to Scott Borbidge.

Ridley Raids

JV Hoopsquad

MN J.V. Dribblers' winning streak got raided by a well-balanced Radnor attack as they were humbled 38-21. The Tigers nearly shutout under the boards during the first half's defensive struggle, trailing Radnor 14-9.

During the second half, MN continued to get outclassed. Although the scoring pace stayed slow, their turnover rate stayed fast.

MN was all green after being knocked off by the Ridley Green Raiders in a long drawn out contest at Ridley.

The full-court Green Raider pressure hampered the Tigers greatly until the fouls came barreling in; 38 supposedly committed first half fouls were called by an eccentric pair of referees. The whistle

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Boys Swimming

SWIMMERS

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PLACE

MN's Boys Swim Team ended their Central League season by defeating an equally strong Conestoga squad, 88-85. With that win, Marple clinched sole possession of second place, right behind Radnor.

Entering the meet, both teams had identical 4-1 records with both losses being at the hands of Radnor. This meet, therefore, was to be the deciding factor as to who was to place second and who was to place third. The meet was ridiculously close throughout with both teams taking turns leading.

The meet climaxed at the last event where MN, losing 81-77, took first and third in the 400 free-style relay to swipe the victory from Conestoga's clutches.

Interestingly enough, Marple only won four firsts of the eleven events, but piled up enough seconds (eight to Conestoga's three) and thirds (seven to Conestoga's four) to pull out the win. Of those four blue ribbons, junior John Wierick garnered three (100 free, 200 medley, and anchor of the 400 free relay.) The other Marple first came from Rick Hoffman in the diving competition.

All in all, Marple performed quite admirably in Central League swimming this year. They breezed past most opponents and hurdled all barriers placed before them (save the Radnor setback.)

The team was somewhat desultory toward the end of the season in that, against "less than formidable" foes, they tended to take it easy, yet they always managed to win. Coupled with the championship Girls Swim Team, Marple Newtown boasts one of the most redoubtable swimming programs in the area, a tribute to boys' coach Allan Jones and girls' coach Joan Johnson.

Girls Basketball

Ridley Dribbles by MN; Shelton, Gretzmacher Excel

MN's girl's Varsity Dribblers gave an impressive floor show at Ridley, but the final score of 51-41, Ridley, did not reflect this at all.

During the first quarter MN had a sluggish start, but quickened the pace trailing the Raiders by only one point; 14-15.

The score never differed by more than 3 points the first half of the game. However, much fouling by MN caused a few starters to sit out until the final stanza.

Ridley's team was very impressive. Passing and shooting techniques were precise and proved most valuable.

Ridley used this to their advantage as MN weakened the last quarter. However, during the last two minutes, MN tallied six points.

Karen Shelton's exceptional performance can not be overlooked. She proved an asset to the whole team. Ms. Shelton, one of the most aggressive players on the team, always was there to take the ball from Ridley, succeeding many times.

Gail Gretzmacher proved indispensable for her 15 rebounds and aggressiveness.

Debbie Katz also proved noteworthy as a high scorer, scoring 18 points for MN.